Action of Kargil Review Committee Recommendations

2770. DR. Y. LAKSHMl PRASAD: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the follow-up action on the recommendations of the Subrahmanyam Committee Report on Kargil; and

(b)the strategies drawn up for accurate intelligence gathering of Pak activities on LoC to enable Army to act accordingly?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERN ANDES) : (a) While specific recommendations made by Kargil Review Committee (Subrahmanyam Committee) for acquisition of (a) high altitude UAVs (b) commimication interception equipment, (c) satellite imagery capability of world standards, and (d) development of skills in encryption/decryption have been accepted by the Government, many of its recommendations need to be developed into specific actionable policies and programmes. In a few cases, consultation with and acceptance of the recoimnendations by the State Governments is also required. The Government has in view of the importance and sensitivity of the subject and after careful consideration of these recommendations and other relevant aspects decided that the national security system in its entirety be thoroughly reviewed by a Group of Ministers headed by the Home Minister with Raksha Mantri, External Affairs Minister and Finance Minister as its members.

(b) It would not be in the National interest to divulge details in this regard.

Take over of Praga Tool Limited

2771. DR. Y. LAKSHMl PRASAD: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether workers union of the Praga Tool Limited has requested to take back the tmdertaking by the Ministry of Defence from the Ministry of Industry; and

(b)if so, the action proposed in view of past good performance of the PSU supplying its products to Defence sectors only?